

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

1. (Cancelled) A process for the preparation of a coffee product comprising the step of:  
compressing a roasted coffee in a roller press having at least one roller with a pocketed surface for forming compressed bodies of coffee.
2. (Currently amended) ~~The capsule~~A process according to claim 1~~5~~, wherein the roasted coffee is a ground or flaked coffee.
3. (Currently amended) ~~The capsule~~A process according to claim 1~~5~~, wherein external cooling is applied to the coffee prior to the step of compressing.
4. (Currently amended) ~~The capsule~~A process according to claim 1~~5~~, wherein external cooling is applied to the coffee during the step of compressing.
5. (Currently amended) ~~The capsule~~A process according to claim 1~~5~~, wherein the roller press comprises a profiled roller.
6. (Currently amended) ~~The capsule~~A process according to claim 1~~5~~, wherein the roller press comprises two pocketed rollers having complementary pockets on their surfaces.
7. (Currently amended) ~~The capsule~~A process according to claim 1~~5~~, wherein the compressed coffee has a density that is greater than 0.95g/cm<sup>3</sup>.
8. (Cancelled) A process according claim 1, further comprising the step of crushing the compressed body of coffee to form a particulate coffee product.

9. (Cancelled) A process according to claim 8, further comprising the step of packaging the particulate coffee in a brewing capsule.
10. (Cancelled) A compressed body of coffee obtainable by a process comprising the step of compressing a roasted coffee in a roller press having at least one roller with a pocketed surface for forming compressed bodies of coffee.
11. (Currently amended) ~~The capsule~~A compressed body of coffee according to claim 1~~50~~, wherein the compressed body of coffee does not have opposed flat faces.
12. (Cancelled) A particulate coffee obtainable by a process comprising the steps of compressing a roasted coffee in a roller press having at least one roller with a pocketed surface for forming a compressed body of coffee and crushing the compressed body of coffee to form a particulate coffee product.
13. (Currently amended) ~~The capsule~~A particulate coffee according to claim 1~~52~~, wherein the particulate coffee has a particle size (D (4,3)) of from about 200  $\mu\text{m}$  to about 600  $\mu\text{m}$ .
14. (Currently amended) ~~The capsule~~A particulate coffee according to claim 1~~52~~, wherein the particulate coffee has a tap density of greater than about 0.5g/cm<sup>3</sup>.
15. (Currently amended) A coffee brewing capsule containing a particulate coffee obtainable by a process comprising the steps of:  
.....compressing a roasted coffee in a roller press having at least one roller with a pocketed surface for forming a compressed body of coffee;

\_\_\_\_\_placing the compressed body of coffee into a sachet and  
\_\_\_\_\_sealing the sachet's edges; and  
\_\_\_\_\_crushing the compressed body of coffee in the sachet to  
form a particulate coffee product for placement in a  
brewing capsule.